

# STRATEGIC RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS

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Region 9

Data for November 2006 (Preliminary)

Beginning with the January publication, this newsletter contains information on only the Indiana Economic Growth Region 9 which includes Bartholomew, Dearborn, Decatur Franklin, Jackson, Jefferson, Jennings, Ohio, Ripley, and Switzerland Counties.

### \*INDIANA ECONOMIC GROWTH REGIONS

Indiana Workforce Development engaged Indiana Business Research Center to identify regions through a methodology that was both quantitative and qualitative in nature. As a result, eleven Indiana Economic Growth Regions were formed.



The November 2006 Job Openings and hourly wage information is for selected occupations that the Indiana Workforce Development offices in Economic Growth Region 9 received during November. The data are from the agency's Customer Self Service System (CS3) and Seagate Crystal reports software.

## Job Openings Economic Growth Region 9 November 2006

	Number	Average
	Of	Hourly
	Openings	Wage
Assemblers (Factory Work)	60	10.00
Production Laborers	44	9.23
All Other Machine Operators	39	9.13
Production Inspectors, Testers, Graders	30	7.17
Counter Attendants – Food Service	10	7.11
Food Service Managers	9	9.00
Cooks: Restaurant	8	10.86
Food Order Expediters	8	7.00
Food Preparation Workers	8	7.00
Waiters & Waitresses	8	7.79
Home Health Aides	7	7.93
Personal and Home Care Aides	7	7.93
General Office Clerks	6	12.29
Other Cleaning/Building Service Workers	6	7.76
Mechanical Engineers	5	32.71

## LOCAL EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS

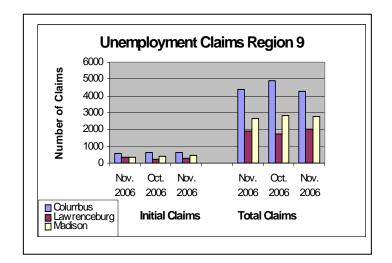
Local Employment Dynamics (LED), a partnership between the Indiana Department of Workforce Development and the U.S. Census Bureau, provides innovative demographic employment information (Quarterly Workforce Indicators) for local decision-makers, economic development agencies, education and training institutions, and transportation agencies. The Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) measure the performance of the local economy. Turnover, separations, new hires, and average new hire earnings by county, metropolitan area, and Workforce Investment area are among the data items on the web site. The web address is: http://lehd.dsd.census.gov/led/. Select QWI On-line under Quick Links.

#### ALL ABOUT UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

For a detailed report on how the government measures unemployment rates click on the following link:

http://www.bls.gov/cps/cps htgm.htm





## MONTHLY COMPARISON OF CLAIMS By local office

	Nov. 2006	Oct. 2006	Nov. 2005
Initial Claims			
Columbus	605	644	611
Lawrenceburg	326	241	300
Madison	349	386	471
Total Claims			
Columbus	4,364	4,920	4,255
Lawrenceburg	1932	1739	2031
Madison	2,637	2,820	2,761

LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES						
	TOTAL			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
	LABOR	NUMBER	NUMBER	NOV. 2006	OCT. 2006	NOV. 2005
AREA	FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	Preliminary		Bench- marked
United States	152,590,000	146,014,000	6,576,000	4.3	4.1	4.8
Indiana	3,259,062	3,112,421	146,641	4.5	4.6	5.1
Columbus, IN MSA	38,109	36,708	1,401	3.7	3.8	4.5
Bartholomew County	38,109	36,708	1,401	3.7	3.8	4.5
Dearborn County	26,991	25,708	1,283	4.8	4.5	5.4
Decatur County	12,646	12,150	496	3.9	3.9	4.4
Franklin County	12,321	11,638	683	5.5	5.1	6.2
Jackson County	22,497	21,601	896	4.0	4.1	4.6
Jefferson County	17,690	16,923	767	4.3	4.6	4.9
Jennings County	13,978	13,300	678	4.9	5.0	6.3
Ohio County	3,259	3,097	162	5.0	4.6	5.7
Ripley County	14,770	14,141	629	4.3	4.0	4.9
Switzerland County	5,836	5,640	196	3.4	3.4	4.6

Labor Force Data The Labor Force Data presented here is the most recent data available at the time this letter was prepared. The November 2006 data are preliminary data and the November 2005 data are benchmarked data. Information for the United States, Indiana, and the counties that comprise Economic Growth Region 9 has been included.

The national and statewide 76y data given are not seasonally adjusted.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE RANKING BY COUNTY			
RANK – NOV. 2006	COUNTY	NOV. 2006 RATE	
78	Bartholomew	3.7	
41	Dearborn	4.8	
74	Decatur	3.9	
15	Franklin	5.5	
68	Jackson	4.0	
56	Jefferson	4.3	
36	Jennings	4.9	
33	Ohio	5.0	
59	Ripley	4.3	
85	Switzerland	3.4	

Fayette County ranked 1<sup>st</sup> with a rate of 7.8 % and Hamilton County ranked 92<sup>nd</sup> with a rate of 2.7%.

COLUMBUS, IN MSA					
WAGE AND SALAR	IED EMPLOYM	IENT IN ARE	A ESTABLISE	HMENTS	
				CHANGE FROM	
	NOV. 2006	OCT. 2006	NOV. 2005	OCT. 2006	NOV. 2005
(preliminary data)					
Total Nonfarm	44.2	44.0	43.6	200	600
Total Private	38.0	37.8	37.5	200	500
Goods Producing	17.2	17.0	16.7	200	500
Natural Resources / Construction	1.6	1.6	1.6	0	0
Manufacturing	15.6	15.4	15.1	200	500
Durable Goods	13.2	13.3	13.1	-100	100
Service Providing	27.0	27.0	26.9	0	100
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	7.1	7.0	7.1	100	0
Wholesale Trade	1.0	1.0	1.0	0	0
Retail Trade	4.5	4.4	4.4	100	100
Trans., Warehousing, Util.	1.6	1.6	1.7	0	-100
Information Services	.5	.5	.5	0	0
Financial Activities	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
Professional & Business Services	3.8	3.9	3.8	-100	0
Educational & Health Services	3.6	3.5	3.6	100	0
Leisure & Hospitality Services	2.9	3.0	2.9	-100	0
Other Services	1.2	1.2	1.2	0	0
Government	6.2	6.2	6.1	0	100
Federal Government	.2	.2	.2	0	0
State Government	.9	.9	.9	0	0
Local Government	5.1	5.1	5.0	0	100
<b>Local Government Education</b>	2.0	2.0	1.9	0	100

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